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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of  
Michael Zoeckler  
Serial No.: 09/818,023

Group Art Unit: 3727  
Examiner: Gary E. Elkins

Filed: 03/27/01  
For: Paperboard Carton with Laminated  
Reinforcing Ribbon and Transitioned  
Scores and Method of Making Same

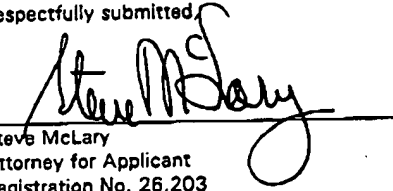
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE

In response to the Office Action of July 22, 2002 requiring restriction of the claims to Group I, claims 1-15 and 24-37 or Group II, claims 16-23 and 38-41, Applicant hereby elects, without traverse or prejudice, the claims of Group I, claims 1-15 and 24-37, for further prosecution. Applicant reserves all rights to file a Divisional Application on the non-elected claims, claims 16-23 and 38-41, in Group II.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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